



Sermon Highlights

Overcoming Fear: Abraham's Lesson in Faith and Integrity

Sermon Summary:

This sermon explores the story of Abraham and Sarah's encounter with Abimelech, highlighting the dangers of fear-driven decisions and the importance of integrity in faith. It emphasizes God's intervention in human affairs, the need for immediate obedience to God's will, and the impact of a believer's actions on their witness to the world. Pastor Bruce Gordon draws parallels between Abraham's situation and modern Christian life, urging believers to live authentically and fearlessly for God.

Key Points:

- Fear can lead believers to compromise their faith and integrity
- God intervenes to protect His people and His plans, even when they falter
- Immediate obedience to God's will is crucial for spiritual growth
- The church must confront sin within its ranks to be an effective witness
- Believers have daily opportunities to be a light to the world
- God's forgiveness and restoration are available to those who repent

Scripture Reference:

- Genesis 20:1-18

Stories:

- Abraham's deception of Abimelech regarding Sarah's identity
- The destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah (referenced)
- Personal anecdote about the pastor Bruce Gordon's strict father and the concept of fear
- Analogy of cleaning a pig to illustrate the futility of trying to change sinful nature without Christ